GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5578
ANSWERED ON:02.05.2000
ALL INDIA CADRE OF TOWN PLANNERS
AMBATI BRAHMANAIAH;UMMAREDDY VENKATESWARLU

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a): whether the Government propose to form an All India Cadre to Town Planners;

(b): if so, the objectives thereof;

(c): whether the Government also propose to establish more town planning institutes;

(d): if so, the details thereof, location-wise;

(e) whether the Government have examined any proposal to upgrade the training for town planners all over the country;

(f): if so, whether the number of trained urban planners have not kept pace with the growing population in urban areas;
(g): if so, the detailed plans of the Government to increase the level of training of town planners;

(h): whether the State Governments are likely to be encouraged to give emphasis to increase training for town planners;
(i): whether any financial assistance has to be provided to State Governments in this regard; and
(j): if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA)

(a): No, Sir.

(b): The question does not arise.

(c): No, Sir.

(d): The question does not arise.

(e): A technical group on urban planning system constituted by the Planning Commission assessed the need of capacity building in town and country planning at various levels.

(f)&(g): Presently there are about 2000 town planners in the country. About 150-200 town planners are produced every year. Above report estimated the need for 7000 town planners in the next 10-20 years.

(h)to(j): Urban Development is a State subject.It is for the State Government to visualise their requirement and take initiative in the matter.